DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

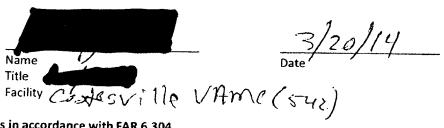
Justification and Approval

For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

- Contracting Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 04, Coatesville Medical Center Justification For Other Than Full and Open Competition. The 2237 number is 542-14-2-528-0017.
- 2. Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed: Ambulance and Wheelchair Van Service.
- 3. <u>Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs</u>: The Coatesville VA Medical Center requires local and long distance ambulance service both BLS and ALS as well as Wheelchair Van Service.
- 4. Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:
 - (X) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
- 5. Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority): The current contract for this service is due to expire on 3/31/14 with no available options to extend the service. The new solicitations for the ambulance service (VA244-13-R-14444) and Wheelchair Van Service (VA244-14-R-0290) have been issued and proposals received. However, revisions need to be made to both which will impact the award of the new contracts. Therefore, since this contract involves patient care and we cannot have a lapse in service, we need to initiate a short term purchase order to the existing provider to continue service.
- 6. <u>Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable</u>: No additional offers were sought due to the urgent need and the current vendor has previously completed on required background checks.
- 7. <u>Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable</u>: The prices quoted by Transcare will be the same rates as for the past twelve months and were determined fair and reasonable at the time of contract award.
- 8. <u>Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted</u>: No market research was conducted as this needs to be awarded to the current contractor due to time and required security checks.
- 9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition: See #5 above.
- 10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition: None

- 11. A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required: There are no barriers to remove as the new solicitations were competed and proposals received.
- 12. <u>Requirements Certification</u>: I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



- 13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304
 - a. <u>Contracting Officer's Certification (required)</u>: I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



b. NCM/PCM (Required \$3K and above): I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.



c. SAO (If over 500K): I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.